CARRIZO OIL & GAS INC Form 8-K May 20, 2004

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): May 13, 2004

CARRIZO OIL & GAS, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-22915

76-0415919 (Commission (I.R.S. Employer File Number) Identification No.)

14701 St. Mary's Lane Suite 800 Houston, Texas (Address of principal executive offices)

77079 (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (281) 496-1352

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION. Item 12.

The following information is furnished under Item 12 of Form 8-K (Results of Operations and Financial Condition).

Our press release dated May 13, 2004 concerning first quarter 2004 financial results, furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report, is incorporated by reference herein. The press release contains a measure which may be deemed a "non-GAAP financial measure" as defined in Item 10 of Regulation S-K of the Securities Act of 1934, as amended. We discuss EBITDA, as defined in the press release, for the quarters ended March 31, 2003 and 2004. The most comparable GAAP financial measure, net income, and information reconciling the GAAP and non-GAAP measures were also included in the press release. We believe that EBITDA, as defined, may provide additional information about our ability to meet our future requirements for debt service, capital expenditures and working capital. EBITDA, as defined, is a financial measure commonly used in the oil and natural gas industry and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for net income, operating income, cash flows from operating activities or any other measure of financial performance presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles or as a measure of a company's profitability or liquidity. Because EBITDA, as defined, excludes some, but not all, items that affect net income, the EBITDA presented in the press release may

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not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies.

None of the information furnished in Item 12 and the accompanying exhibit will be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor will it be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed by Carrizo Oil & Gas under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specifically identified therein as being incorporated therein by reference. The furnishing of the information in this report is not intended to, and does not, constitute a determination or admission by Carrizo Oil & Gas, that the information in this report is material or complete, or that investors should consider this information before making an investment decision with respect to any security of Carrizo Oil & Gas.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CARRIZO OIL & GAS, INC.

Date: May 19, 2004

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EXHIBIT INDEX

The following exhibit is furnished pursuant to Item 12:

99.1 Press Release, dated May 13, 2004, Announcing Financial Results for First Quarter of 2004.